This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

<u>Listing of Claims:</u> Please <u>amend</u> the claims as follows

We claim:

Claim 1. (Cancelled)

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to claim 19 (a) [[1]], which encodes a polypeptide comprising the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The nucleic acid molecule according to claim <u>19</u> [[1]], wherein said molecule which is a genomic DNA, a cDNA and/or or an RNA.

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) A vector comprising the at least one nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 19 [[1]].

Claim 5. (**Previously Presented**) A host cell comprising the vector according to claim 4.

Claim 6. (Cancelled)

Claim 7. (Cancelled)

Claim 8. (Cancelled)

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the <u>at</u> <u>least one</u> nucleic acid molecule according to Claim <u>19</u> [[1]] and a pharmaceutically tolerable carrier.

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) A kit which comprises the <u>at least one</u> nucleic acid molecule according Claim <u>19</u> [[1]] and a pharmaceutically tolerable carrier.

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Claim 11. (Cancelled)
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Claim 12. (Cancelled)

Claim 13. (Cancelled)

Claim 14. (Cancelled)

Claim 15. (Cancelled)

Claim 16. (Cancelled)

Claim 17. (Cancelled)

Claim 18. (Currently Amended) The A nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1, which consists of the polynucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 19. (Currently Amended) The \underline{A} nucleic acid molecule according to claim 1, which is:

- (a) a nucleic acid molecule comprising the polynucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1;
- (b) a nucleic acid molecule which encodes a polypeptide comprising the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2;
- (c) a nucleic acid molecule which consists of the polynucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1; or
- (d) a nucleic acid molecule which encodes the polypeptide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2; or
- (e) a complimentary nucleic acid sequence to the nucleic acid molecule of (a)-(d).

Claim 20. (Cancelled)

Claim 21. (Cancelled)

Claim 22. (Cancelled)

Claim 23. (Cancelled)